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FOR 1967**

Divisional Health Office,
Manor Road,
Beverley
July, 1968

To the Chairman and Members of the Beverley Rural District Council

Mr. Chairman, Ladies and Gentlemen,

I have pleasure in presenting the Annual Report for 1967.

The Registrar General's figure for the population at mid-year 1967 was 29,450 an increase of 1,120 compared with last year.

During the year there were 533 births and 304 deaths compared with 460 births and 293 deaths last year. The adjusted birth rate for the district of 17.6 compares with a national birth rate of 17.2 births per 1,000 population and an adjusted death rate of 10.3 compares with a national death rate of 11.2 deaths per 1,000 population.

The causes of death follow the usual pattern, diseases of the heart and circulatory system being the major cause, with cancer following up as the second major cause. Together these two causes accounted for 73.26% of the total deaths. It is of interest to note that of the deaths due to cancer, the lungs or bronchus were the commonest sites of origin.

During the year there were six infant deaths, all being under four weeks of age. Four were due to prematurity or congenital malformations and two due to infection.

On infectious diseases, measles was outstanding, there being 404 cases notified during the year. With the introduction of measles vaccination it is hoped that we will see a drop in the incidence of the disease in coming years.

Concerning sanitary circumstances in the area, it will be seen that water continued to be supplied as in previous years. Of the 31 samples taken for bacteriological examination from main supplies, all but one were satisfactory. On the other hand 14 of 65 private supplies examined proved to be unsatisfactory and indicated the need for these to be kept constantly under review. 303 houses in the district have other than main water supplies, i.e. 3.08% of the total houses in the district.

During the year progress continued to be made in providing sewers and sewage treatment works with construction work taking place in Lockington, Lund and Leconfield. Consideration of schemes for other villages which are still without modern drainage facilities also continued during the year.

Unfit houses continued to be dealt with during the year, three being repaired, five closed and nineteen demolished.

It is pleasing to note an increase in the routine inspection of food premises; also 100% inspection of meat killed in the district continued during the year.

In presenting this report may I express my thanks to the staff of the department for their work and help during the year, and also to the Chairman and members of the Executive Committee for their constant interest and support.

I am,

Yours faithfully,

J. H. MAUGHAN,

Medical Officer of Health

GENERAL STATISTICS

Area in acres	91,488
Population: 1967 Registrar General	29,450
Rateable Value	£1,017,817
Sum represented by a penny rate	£4,133
Estimated number of inhabited houses	9,824

VITAL STATISTICS

Live Births:

Total live births	533
Crude birth rate per 1,000 population	18.1
Comparability factor	0.97
Adjusted birth rate per 1,000 population	17.6

Illegitimate live births included in above total	15
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Stillbirths:

Total still births	6
Illegitimate still births included in above total...	—

Deaths:

Total deaths	304
Crude death rate per 1,000 population	10.3
Comparability factor	0.99
Adjusted death rate per 1,000 population.....	9.6
Infant deaths (under one year of age)	6
Infant mortality rate (infant deaths per 1,000 live births)	11.0

Rates per 1,000 Civilian Population

Year	England and Wales	Beverley Rural District
LIVE BIRTHS		
1967	17.2 *	17.6
1966	17.7	15.71
1965	18.0	16.22
1964	18.4	17.39
1963	18.2	18.02
DEATHS		
1967	11.2 *	10.3
1966	11.7	9.93
1965	11.5	9.27
1964	11.3	8.70
1963	12.2	10.03

NOTE: The Rates for the last five years are per 1,000 Home Population, which includes service personnel.

*Provisional rate supplied by the Registrar General.

Infant Mortality Rate

Deaths under One year of Age Rates per 1,000 Live Births

Year	England and Wales	Beverley Rural District
1967	18.3	11.0
1966	19.0	10.91
1965	19.0	10.89
1964	20.0	14.89
1963	20.9	12.85

Still Birth Rate Rates per 1,000 Total Births

Year	England and Wales	Beverley Rural District
1967	14.8*	11.1
1966	15.4	15.21
1965	15.7	10.78
1964	16.3	14.68
1963	17.3	10.59

*Provisional figure supplied by the Registrar General

Principal Causes of Death

CAUSES OF DEATH				Male	Female	Total
1. Tuberculosis of the respiratory system	..	..	..	—	—	—
2. Other forms of Tuberculosis	..	..	..	—	—	—
3. Syphilitic disease	..	..	..	—	—	—
4. Diphtheria	..	..	..	—	—	—
5. Whooping Cough	..	..	..	—	—	—
6. Meningococcal infections	..	..	..	—	—	—
7. Acute Poliomyelitis	..	..	..	—	—	—
8. Measles	..	..	..	—	—	—
9. Other infective and parasitic diseases	..	..	..	—	—	—
10. Malignant neoplasm of stomach	..	..	..	2	2	4
11. Malignant neoplasm of lungs and bronchus	..	..	..	15	5	20
12. Malignant neoplasm of breast	..	..	..	—	1	1
13. Malignant neoplasm of uterus	..	..	..	—	2	2
14. Other malignant and lymphatic neoplasms	..	..	..	11	16	27
15. Leukaemia and aleukaemia	..	..	..	1	—	1
16. Diabetes	..	..	..	1	1	2
17. Vascular lesions of nervous system	..	..	..	9	15	24
18. Coronary disease and angina	..	..	..	39	28	67
19. Hypertension with heart disease	..	..	..	1	—	1
20. Other heart diseases	..	..	..	21	43	64
21. Other circulatory diseases	..	..	..	4	8	12
22. Influenza	..	..	..	—	—	—
23. Pneumonia	..	..	..	7	6	13
24. Bronchitis	..	..	..	13	5	18
25. Other diseases of the respiratory system	..	..	..	2	1	3
26. Ulcer of the stomach and duodenum	..	..	..	2	—	2
27. Gastritis, enteritis and diarrhoea	..	..	..	—	—	—
28. Nephritis and nephrosis	..	..	..	1	1	2
29. Hyperplasia of prostate	..	..	..	2	—	2
30. Pregnancy, childbirth and abortion	..	..	..	—	—	—
31. Congenital malformation	..	..	..	—	1	1
32. Other defined and ill-defined diseases	..	..	..	7	12	19
33. Motor vehicle accidents	..	..	..	8	1	9
34. Other accidents	..	..	..	2	5	7
35. Suicides	..	..	..	2	1	3
36. Homicide and operations of war	..	..	..	—	—	—
Total, all causes				150	154	304

Age Distribution of Deaths

Age at Death	1963	1964	1965	1966	1967
Under 1 year ..	6	7	5	5	6
1—5 years ..	3	1	—	—	3
6—15 years ..	4	2	1	3	1
16—25 years ..	5	3	3	3	4
26—45 years ..	12	6	8	7	11
46—65 years ..	42	44	47	52	64
66 years and over	202	185	193	223	215
Totals ..	274	248	257	293	304

**Table showing Causes and Age Distribution of
Infantile Deaths**

Causes of Death	Under 1 week	1 to 2 weeks	2 to 3 weeks	3 to 4 weeks	Total under 4 weeks	1 to 3 months	3 to 6 months	6 to 9 months	9 to 12 months	Total under 1 year
Accident	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Congenital malformations	1	—	—	—	1	—	—	—	—	1
Other defined and ill-defined diseases ..	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Infectious diseases ..	1	—	—	1	2	—	—	—	—	2
Prematurity	3	—	—	—	3	—	—	—	—	3
Totals	5	—	—	1	6	—	—	—	—	6

Distribution of Infectious Diseases by Age Groups

Disease	Under 1 year	1—2 years	3—4 years	5—9 years	10—14 years	15—24 years	25—44 years	45—64 years	65 years and over	Age unknown	TOTAL
Scarlet Fever ..	—	—	1	6	1	—	—	—	—	—	8
Whooping Cough ..	1	2	—	3	1	5	1	—	—	—	13
Acute Poliomyelitis											
Paralytic ..	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Non-Paralytic ..	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Measles ..	10	85	119	185	3	2	—	—	—	—	404
Acute Pneumonia ..	—	—	—	—	—	1	2	—	—	—	3
Dysentery ..	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Erysipelas ..	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Food Poisoning ..	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	—	1
Puerperal Pyrexia ..	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	—	—	—	1
Enteric or Typhoid Fever ..	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Paratyphoid Fever ..	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Totals ..	11	87	120	194	5	8	4	—	1	—	430

The Incidence of Infectious Diseases during the Past Five Years

Disease	1963	1964	1965	1966	1967
Scarlet Fever	14	8	14	15	8
Whooping Cough	19	15	20	—	13
Poliomyelitis and Polio-Encephalitis	—	—	—	—	—
Measles	566	235	689	91	404
Acute Pneumonia	3	2	3	3	3
Dysentery	1	1	—	21	—
Erysipelas	—	—	1	—	—
Food Poisoning	4	—	3	—	1
Puerperal Pyrexia	2	6	—	—	1
Enteric or Typhoid Fever	2	—	—	—	—
Paratyphoid Fever	—	1	—	—	—
Totals	611	268	730	130	430

Tuberculosis

One new case of Pulmonary Tuberculosis was notified during the year.

GENERAL PROVISION OF HEALTH SERVICES FOR THE AREA

Hospital Services

The Rural District is provided with general hospital facilities by hospitals situated in Beverley and Hull.

Within the Rural District are situated:

Broadgate Hospital with 650 beds for psychiatric patients.

Woodgates Maternity Hospital with 35 beds.

Cherry Burton hostel with 30 beds for mentally handicapped patients.

Nursing Homes

There are no private nursing homes within the District.

National Assistance Act, 1948

Part III, Accommodation

Within the district there are no County Council homes for elderly persons.

Section 47

It was not necessary to take proceedings under this section during the year.

LOCAL HEALTH AUTHORITY SERVICES

Infant Welfare Clinics

BISHOP BURTON The Parish Hall, Bishop Burton	Every 4 weeks	Thursday p.m.
BRANDESBURTON The Village Hall, Brandesburton	Every 4 weeks	Thursday p.m.
BROUGH The Village Hall, Elloughton	Every 2 weeks	Tuesday p.m.
LECONFIELD Welfare Centre, R.A.F. Leconfield	Every 2 weeks	Monday p.m.
LEVEN Leven Youth Centre	Every 4 weeks	Thursday p.m.
N. FERRIBY The Village Hall, N. Ferriby	Every 2 weeks	Thursday p.m.
NEWBALD The Old Church School Room, Newbald	Every 4 weeks	Thursday 10.30 a.m.
LITTLE WEIGHTON Village Hall, Little Weighton	Every 4 weeks	Thursday p.m.
SKIDBY The Village Hall, Skidby	Every 4 weeks	Wednesday p.m.
SOUTH CAVE Nunnery Walk, 1.30 p.m., Methodist Church, 3 p.m. } M.C.	Every 4 weeks	
SWANLAND M.C. Parked near the Village Hall	Every 4 weeks	Monday p.m.
WALKINGTON Parish Hall, Walkington	Every 4 weeks	Wednesday p.m.
WAWNE M.C. Parked Near Village Hall	Every 4 weeks	Monday p.m.
WELTON Earle's Cement Social Club, Gibson Lane, Melton	Every 4 weeks	Wednesday p.m.
WOODMANSEY Village Hall, Woodmansey	Every 4 weeks	Monday p.m.
LOCKINGTON M.C. Discontinued—Wed. p.m. every 4 weeks parked near Old School.		

Domiciliary Midwifery Service

During the year the 2 Nurse/Midwives working in the Rural District attended 27 domiciliary births.

Health Visiting

Five Health Visitors work within the Rural District and have offices at:

Mrs. Allman, (at home), 'Paul Garth,' Skipsea. Tel.: Skipsea 226.

Miss Blackburn, (at home) 2 Fisher Croft, Willerby. Tel.: 652946.

Miss Evans, Divisional Health Office, Manor Road, Beverley. Tel.: 881281.

Miss Jessop, Medical Room, Longcroft School, Beverley. Tel.: 881567.

Miss Thompson, Medical Room, South Hunsley C. Sec. School, Melton. Tel.: 631164.

Home Nursing

This service is run in conjunction with the Domiciliary Midwifery Service and 2 Nurses (both of whom are also Midwives) work in the Rural District.

Ambulance Service

The County Council provide an Ambulance Service and there are Stations situated at Grovehill Road, Beverley. Tel.: 881198 and Welton Road, Brough. Tel.: 668484.

Domestic Help

Home Help service rendered in the Rural District is administered at County Hall, Beverley, and all applications for the service are dealt with by the Home Help Organiser. Tel.: 881281.

Local Education Authority — School Health Service

Routine Medical Inspections are carried out on all children attending Local Education Authority schools in the District. In addition the following facilities were provided in the District:

<i>Speech therapy</i>	<i>No. of sessions</i>	
Brough ..	..	1
Etton Pasture ..	..	1
<i>Dental</i>	<i>No. of sessions</i>	
Etton Pasture ..	..	30
Leconfield ..	..	15
Lockington ..	..	16
North Ferriby ..	..	19
Rowley ..	..	14
Skidby ..	..	3
South Cave ..	..	14
Swanland ..	..	8
Welton ..	..	9

OTHER SERVICES

Holderness Health Division Co-ordinating Committee

Once every two or three months this Co-ordinating Committee, under the aegis of the County Council, meets in Beverley to co-ordinate the work of officers in the district who are concerned with the welfare of children. The primary objects of the Committee are the prevention of break-up of families.

On the Committee are representatives of the County Children's Department, the County Health Department, the School Welfare Department, the County Welfare Department, the Housing Managers of the District Councils, the Ministry of Social Security, the National Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Children, the Women's Royal Voluntary Service, the Police Force and Probation Officers. Representatives of other organisations are co-opted from time to time as the need arises. Your Medical Officer of Health in his capacity as Divisional Medical Officer takes the Chair of this Committee.

Public Health Laboratory Service

Specimens for bacteriological examination are sent to the Public Health Laboratory at the Hull Royal Infirmary.

Family Planning Association

The Family Planning Association held clinics at Beverley on Friday mornings 10.30 a.m. to 11.30 a.m. and the 2nd and 4th Wednesday evenings, 7 p.m. to 8.30 p.m.

Cervical Cytology

East Riding County Council holds cervical cytology sessions according to demand.

FACTORIES

There are 64 factories within the District, of which 59 are power factories and 5 non-power. Routine inspections were carried out and these showed that conditions were generally satisfactory.

Three were out-workers employed in the district in satisfactory premises.

The Prescribed Particulars on the administration of the Factories Acts are shown in the table below.

FACTORIES IN THE BEVERLEY RURAL DISTRICT

I—INSPECTIONS for purposes of provisions as to health (including inspections made by Public Health Inspectors).

Premises (1)	Number on Register (2)	Number of		
		Inspections (3)	Written notices (4)	Occupiers prosecuted (5)
(i) Factories in which Sections 1, 2, 3, 4 and 6 are to be enforced by Local Authorities	5	6	—	—
(ii) Factories not included in (i) in which Section 7 is enforced by the Local Authority	59	44	2	—
Total	64	50	2	—

2—Cases in which **DEFECTS** were found.

Particulars (1)	Number of cases in which defects were found				Number of cases in which prosecutions were instituted (6)
	Found (2)	Remedied (3)	To H.M. Inspector (4)	By H.M. Inspector (5)	
Sanitary Conveniences (S.7)					
(a) Insufficient ..	1	—	—	—	—
(b) Unsuitable or defective	1	—	—	—	—
Total ..	2	—	—	—	—

Factories Act, 1961 Part VIII of the Act Outwork (Sections 133 and 134)

Nature of Work (1)	Section 133			Section 134		
	No. of out-workers In August list required by Section 133(1)(c) (2)	No. of cases of default in sending lists to the Council (3)	No. of prosecutions for failure to supply lists (4)	No. of instances of work in unwholesome premises (5)	Notices served (6)	Prosecutions (7)
Wearing apparel (Making etc.)	3	—	—	—	—	—
TOTAL	3	—	—	—	—	—

REPORT OF THE CHIEF PUBLIC HEALTH INSPECTOR R. J. WILCOX, M.A.P.H.I., A.R.S.H.

To the Chairman and Members of the
Beverley Rural District Council

I have pleasure in presenting my Annual Report for the year 1967.

WATER SUPPLY

Mains water was supplied by two statutory Water Undertakings and one private Estate Company.

The areas of supply are as follows:

	Area of Supply
East Yorkshire (Wolds Area) Water Board.	Beswick, Bishop Burton, Brantingham (part), South Cave, Cherry Burton, Dalton Holme (part), Ellerker, Etton, Leconfield, Lockington, Lund, Molescroft, Newbald, Tickton (part), Walkington, Woodmansey (part).
Hull Corporation.	Brantingham (part), Elloughton, Leven, North Ferriby, Routh, Rowley, Skidby, Swanland, Tickton (part), Wawne, Welton, Woodmansey (part).
Hotham Estate	Dalton Holme (part).

All mains water was chlorinated at source. One sample from each of the six main sources and village supplies was submitted for chemical analysis and all results were satisfactory. Details of the analyses are as follows:

	Welton Village Supply	Mains Supply Beswick	Mains Supply Lund	Mains Supply Dalton	Mains Supply Ellerker	Mains Supply Elloughton
Appearance	Clear	Clear	Clear	Clear	Clear	Clear
Colour	none	none	none	none	none	none
Suspended Matter	none	none	none	none	none	none
Odour	none	none	none	none	none	none
Reaction, pH	7.6	7.4	7.6	7.3	7.5	7.1
	Parts per	Million				
Ammoniacal Nitrogen as N	none	none	none	none	0.05	0.02
Albuminoid Nitrogen as N	none	none	none	0.01	0.01	none
Oxygen absorbed (4 hrs. at 27 C.)	none	none	none	0.13	0.03	0.09
Nitrites	none	none	none	none	none	none
Total hardness as CaCO ₃	225	215	215	260	220	300
Carbonate Hardness	115	165	115	190	130	210
Metals, Pb., Fe., etc., ...	none	none	none	none	none	none
Chloride as Cl	30	20	20	20	20	30
Residual Chlorine as Cl	none	0.03	none	none	none	0.06
Fluorine as F	0.09	0.10	0.09	0.08	0.14	0.10

A total of 140 samples were submitted for bacteriological analysis, of which 46 proved to be unsatisfactory.

Thirty-one samples were taken from mains supplies, 10 being from the East Yorkshire (Wolds Area) Water Board area of supply, 5 from the Hull Corporation area of supply, 4 from the Dalton Holme supply and 12 from the Welton Village Supply. With one exception, all these samples gave satisfactory results.

109 samples were taken from 65 private supplies and of these 45 samples taken from 14 bores proved unsatisfactory and appropriate action was taken in each case.

There was no shortage of water during the year.

There is no liability to plumbo-solvency due to the hardness of the water supplied in the district.

WATER SUPPLIES (ALL HOUSES) AT 31st DECEMBER, 1967

Parish	Total Houses	Mains Supplies				Other Supplies	
		Own Tap		Standpipe		Bores and Wells	Other
		Houses	Pop'n.	Houses	Pop'n.	Houses	Houses
Beswick	103	82	250	—	—	13	8
Bishop Burton	124	119	392	2	6	3	—
Brantingham	130	129	395	—	—	1	—
Cave, South	683	665	1840	1	3	10	7
Cherry Burton	157	145	402	1	3	9	2
Dalton Holme	100	89	244	3	8	8	—
Ellerker	102	98	306	—	—	3	1
Elloughton	1555	1543	4437	4	11	7	1
Etton	106	85	232	—	—	21	—
Ferriby, North	1055	1052	3001	3	9	—	—
Leconfield	380	354	1092	1	3	21	4
Leven	467	445	1244	12	34	8	2
Lockington	171	159	488	—	—	10	2
Lund	111	101	268	9	24	1	—
Molescroft	752	746	2037	—	—	6	—
Newbald	236	232	751	—	—	2	2
Routh	38	31	97	—	—	7	—
Rowley	272	271	863	1	3	—	—
Skidby	352	346	1101	1	3	5	—
Swanland	755	749	1905	6	15	—	—
Tickton	189	143	436	—	—	46	—
Walkington	325	318	911	6	17	—	1
Wawne	482	463	1137	—	—	18	1
Welton	543	534	1558	5	15	3	1
Woodmansey	636	560	1677	7	21	67	2
Total	9824	9459	27064	62	175	269	34

SEWERAGE AND DRAINAGE

Existing sewers and works were satisfactorily maintained, but it is becoming increasingly evident that certain additional facilities will soon have to be provided.

By the end of the year the laying of sewers in the villages of Lockington and Lund was almost completed and the construction of the joint works was in hand. Difficulty was experienced due to the high water table and this reduced progress considerably.

Authority was received to proceed with the Leconfield Sewerage Scheme and work commenced on the laying of sewers in August.

The Ministry of Housing and Local Government, towards the end of the year, conducted an investigation into the revised Swanland and North Ferriby Sewerage Scheme.

The laying of two lengths of sewer in Station Road and Ryland Hill, South Cave, was completed towards the end of the year and the laying of house connections was commenced.

FOOD PREMISES

There are 144 food premises in the district, as follows:

Retail Shops	..	..	92
Licensed Premises	..	..	34
Canteens	..	..	14
Cafes	..	..	3
Factories	..	..	1
			144

130 visits were made under the Food Hygiene Regulations and with few exceptions, conditions were found to be satisfactory.

The number of premises provided with wash-hand basins and sinks is shown in the following table:

Category	Regulation 16	Regulation 19	
	Provided with Wash Basins	Requiring Sinks	Provided with Sinks
Retail Shops ..	84	87	80
Licensed Premises ..	34	34	33
Canteens	13	13	13
Cafes	3	3	3
Factories	1	1	1

Seven inspections were made of mobile shops operating in the District.

MILK SUPPLY

The number of persons retailing milk within the Rural District and Registered as Distributors was 31. Two premises were registered as Dairies.

INSPECTION OF MEAT AND OTHER FOODS

The results of the inspections of the 12,540 animals slaughtered within the district are given in the schedule. It is worthy of mention that 1967 was the first year during which no tuberculosis was found. The incidence of Cysticercosis in bovines was 0.19% compared with an average of 1.91% over the past 10 years.

Slaughtering took place daily at the wholesale slaughterhouse at Woodmansey and once weekly at the retail slaughterhouses at South Cave, Elloughton, Leven and Lund. It was not necessary to make an order under the Meat Inspection (Amendment) Regulations, 1966, specifying hours of slaughter as satisfactory informal agreement was reached with the occupier of each slaughterhouse.

Licences were issued to 31 slaughtermen under the Slaughter of Animals Act, 1958.

There are no poultry processing premises within the District.

Inspection of food was carried out at food premises during routine visits and at other times as the occasion demanded and condemnations were made when appropriate.

Carcases and Offal Inspected and Condemned in Whole or in Part

	Cattle Excl. Cows.	Cows	Calves	Sheep and Lambs	Pigs	Horses
Number Inspected	2077	605	145	6566	3147	3
All diseases except Tuberculosis and Cysticerci						
Whole Carcases condemned ..	4	25	9	40	30	—
Carcases of which some part or organ was condemned	555	308	40	185	1303	—
Percentage of the number ins- pected affected with disease other than tuberculosis and cysticerci	22.10	55.04	33.79	3.43	42.36	—
Tuberculosis only						
Whole carcasses condemned ..	—	—	—	—	—	—
Carcases of which some part or organ was condemned	—	—	—	—	—	—
Percentage of the number ins- pected affected with tuberculosis	—	—	—	—	—	—
Cysticercosis						
Carcases of which some part or organ was condemned	3	—	—	—	—	—
Carcases submitted to treatment by refrigeration	2	—	—	—	—	—
Generalised and totally con- demned	—	—	—	—	—	—

KNACKERS YARDS

Three visits were made to the two Knackers Yards, both of which are situated in the parish of Woodmansey and conditions were found to be satisfactory.

HOUSING

Eight houses were subject to statutory action, 5 Closing Orders being made and 3 Undertakings to Repair accepted. Nine houses subject to Clearance Orders, 9 subject to Demolition Orders and 1 subject to a Closing Order were demolished. Two Demolition Orders, three Closing Orders and 1 Undertaking to Close were cancelled, and 3 Undertakings to Repair were complied with. As a result of informal action, 29 houses were made to comply with the Housing Act Standard.

Eighteen condemned houses were vacated, 8 families being rehoused by the Council.

To date 625 houses have been dealt with formally under the Slum Clearance Programme and of these, 324 have been demolished, 83 improved, 121 closed, leaving 97 occupied, of which 32 are occupied by elderly people who in all probability will not be disturbed. In addition, informal action has resulted in the improvement of 347 houses and the demolition of 11 houses.

Early in the year, 16 one bedroomed flats in a Grouped Dwelling Scheme, together with Wardens flat and Common Room and 4 three bedroomed houses were completed at Welton. Contracts for the construction of 8 dwellings at Bishop Burton, 4 at Cherry Burton and 6 at Etton were let and construction commenced towards the end of the year.

Applications for Standard Grants were approved in respect of 23 dwellings and for Discretionary Grants in respect of 17 dwellings.

One application for a Certificate of Disrepair under the Rent Act, 1957, was received, and the owner gave the appropriate undertaking.

OFFICES, SHOPS AND RAILWAY PREMISES ACT, 1963

A total of 63 visits and inspections were carried out during the year and premises were found to be generally satisfactory. Thirteen informal notices were served, the majority of these drawing attention to the need for the provision of first aid boxes and thermometers and the display of an Abstract of the Act.

One accident was notified and investigated. No action was thought to be necessary apart from stressing the need of being careful and alert at all times when using machines.

Registrations, General Inspections and Persons Employed

Class of Premises	Premises Registered	General Inspections	Persons Employed
Offices	23	5	196
Retail Shops	48	13	143
Wholesale Shops & Warehouses	1	—	28
Catering Establishments	12	3	66
Fuel Storage Depots	—	—	8
Total	84	21	441

NUISANCES

The various complaints received during the year may be summarised under the following headings:

Dykes, Defective Drains and Fittings	7
Regarding Refuse, Manure and Smells	12
Keeping of Pigs and other Animals ..	2
Insects	6
Smoke	1
Noise	4
Other Nuisances	4

All these complaints were investigated and informal action was taken where necessary.

REFUSE COLLECTION AND DISPOSAL

The number of houses at the end of the year from which refuse was collected was 9,566.

Refuse was also collected from some 200 business premises, charges being made in appropriate cases. The number of pail closets continued to decrease.

In view of increasing commitments it was necessary in September to employ seven vehicles on collection. The vehicle fleet comprised one 35 cub. yd. vehicle, five 25 cub. yd. vehicles and one 18 cub. yd. vehicle, with one 10 cub. yd. side loading as standby.

Disposal continued at the controlled tip at Old Brickyards, North Ferriby, one tip man being employed. The Briston 25 Tractor Dozer and scraper was replaced by a Briston Taurus Tractor fitted with a Drott 4 in 1 Bucket.

90 litter bins erected in appropriate parts of the district were emptied regularly.

RODENT CONTROL

Two full time Rodent Operators were employed, and 2,323 visits were made. 853 premises were inspected and infestations found to exist at 484 premises, of which the Council treated 472. The cost of treatments was recovered in respect of all properties except dwelling houses under £80 rateable value.

Properties owned by the Council were inspected and appropriate treatments were carried out. All sewerage systems were treated with sodium fluoracetamide.

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